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SUBJ: CAMBODIA

1. SYG WALDHEIM CALLED AMB SCHAUFLE AFTERNOON MARCH 19 TO INFORM HIM THAT PRC PERMREP HUANG HUA HAD CALLED ON SYG THAT DAY TO DISCUSS CAMBODIA AMONG OTHER MATTERS. WALDHEIM SAID HE WAS ASKING USYG URQUHART BRIEF SCHAUFLE IN DETAIL. HALF-HOUR LATER URQUHART FURNISHED RUN-DOWN OF UN SITUATION VIS-A-VIS CAMBODIAN QUESTION.

2. SYG HAD TRIED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH SIHANOUK THROUGH CHINESE AND ALGERIANS WITHOUT SUCCESS, SOMETIMES WITHOUT REPLY. HE ALSO ASKED UNESCO DIRECTOR GENERAL MBOW DURING LATTER'S TRIP TO PEKING TO MAKE CONTACT WITH SIHANOUK. SIHANOUK AGAIN REJECTED "BRUTALLY" SYG'S INTEREST IN QUESTION.

2. MORNING MARCH 19 WALDHEIM RECEIVED LONG CABLE MESSAGE FROM GRUNK FOREIGN MINISTER SARIN CHHAK WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY 8-POINT DECLARATION ADOPTED BY GRUNK NATIONAL CONGRESS ON FEB. 24 AND 25. CHHAK ASKED THAT
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IT BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG MEMBERSHIP (WE TRNASMITTING TEXT OF

MESSAGE IN FRENCH EVEN THOUGH DEPT MAY ALREADY HAVE COPY OF DECLARATION).

3. IN ESSENCE HUANG HUA RECAPITULATED 8-POINT DECLARATION INCLUDING POINT 6 WHICH IS AN APPEAL FOR "ALL EMBASSIES AND FOREIGN ORGANISMS ACCREDITED TO THE TRAITOROUS REGIME" TO WITHDRAW THEIR PERSONNEL FROM PHNOM PENH AND REGIONS UNDER GKR CONTROL.

4. ACCORDING TO URQUHART WALDHEIM INTERRUPTED AT THIS POINT AND TOLD HUANG HUA THAT UN PERSONNEL ENGAGED IN HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES (I.E. UNICEF AND UNDP RES REP) HAD BEEN ORDERED TO REMAIN IN PLACE AND THEY WOULD REMAIN AS LONG AS THEY COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE ALLEVIATION OF SUFFERING. HUANG HUA DID NOT PUSH MATTER FURTHER ALTHOUGH HE REFERRED TO CORRUPTION IN HANDLING OF RELIEF SUPPLIES. WALDHEIM DENIED THAT THIS THE CASE WITH UN.

5. REGARDING CIRCULATION OF GRUNK MESSAGE WALDHEIM SAID THAT HE COULD ONLY CIRCULATE MESSAGES AT THE REQUEST OF MEMBERS AND WONDERED IF ALGERIANS, AS THEY HAD BEFORE, WOULD BE WILLING TO DO IT IN THIS CASE. HUANG HUA IMMEDIATELY SAID THAT CHINA WOULD SEND A NOTE TO THE SYG MARCH 20 TRANSMITTING THE MESSAGE AND ASKING HIM TO DISTRIBUTE TO MEMBERS.

6. URQUHART SAID THAT UN WOULD WELCOME ANY IDEAS FROM US AS TO WHAT UN COULD DO TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AND IF POSSIBLE PREVENT THE KIND OF ATROCITIES WHICH OFTEN ACCOMPANY THIS STAGE OF A CONFLICT. AT SAME TIME HE WONDERED WHETHER ANY UN ORGAN ASIDE FROM SYG HIMSELF WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE ANY ACTION. HE ASSUMED THAT SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD BE UNABLE TO ACT- OR EVEN ADOPT AGENDA- IN FACE PRC AND SOVIET OPPOSITION.

7. SCHAUFELER THANKED URQUHART FOR RUN-DOWN AND ASSURED HIM THAT WE WOULD GIVE MATTER URGENT CONSIDERATION. HE NOTED THAT UN PRESENCE IS ITSELF INHIBITING FACTOR. SCHAUFELER

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